

Table 130 (page 1 of 2). Health care coverage for persons 65 years of age and over, according to type of coverage and selected characteristics: United States, selected years 1984–97

[Data are based on household interviews of a sample of the civilian noninstitutionalized population]

Characteristic	Private insurance ¹						Private insurance obtained through workplace ^{1,2}					
	1984	1989	1994 ³	1995	1996	1997 ^{3,4}	1984	1989	1994 ³	1995	1996	1997 ^{3,4}
Number in millions												
Total ⁵	19.4	22.4	24.0	23.5	22.9	22.3	10.2	11.2	12.5	12.5	12.1	12.0
Percent of population												
Total, age adjusted ⁵	73.5	76.6	77.5	74.9	72.0	69.6	39.1	38.8	41.0	40.1	38.6	38.2
Total, crude ⁵	73.3	76.5	77.3	74.8	72.0	69.5	38.8	38.4	40.4	39.6	38.1	37.5
Age												
65–74 years	76.5	78.2	78.4	75.3	72.4	69.9	45.1	43.7	45.6	43.3	41.5	42.0
75 years and over	68.1	73.9	75.8	74.2	71.3	69.1	28.6	30.2	33.0	34.3	33.3	31.6
75–84 years	70.8	75.9	77.9	76.0	73.3	70.2	30.8	32.0	35.0	36.1	35.5	33.2
85 years and over	56.8	65.5	67.9	67.8	63.9	64.7	18.9	22.8	25.1	27.5	25.3	25.6
Sex ⁶												
Male	74.3	77.5	78.9	76.5	73.6	72.0	44.2	43.4	45.1	44.3	42.7	42.9
Female	72.9	76.2	76.5	73.9	71.0	67.8	35.7	35.6	38.1	37.0	35.5	34.9
Race ^{6,7}												
White	76.8	80.3	81.2	78.6	75.3	72.9	40.9	40.3	42.7	41.6	39.8	39.1
Black	42.3	43.0	44.7	41.9	44.0	43.5	24.0	24.9	26.5	26.4	30.1	32.1
Hispanic origin and race ^{6,7}												
All Hispanic	40.5	44.6	51.2	40.9	38.6	31.9	25.4	24.3	22.1	20.1	19.4	19.0
Mexican	41.4	36.6	44.6	33.0	35.6	32.4	25.5	22.4	23.1	17.4	18.7	19.0
White, non-Hispanic	77.9	81.5	82.6	80.7	77.2	75.0	41.4	40.9	43.8	42.9	40.8	40.2
Black, non-Hispanic	42.0	43.1	45.2	41.7	44.8	43.7	23.8	24.9	26.8	26.1	30.7	32.1
Percent of poverty level ^{6,8}												
Below 100 percent	43.0	45.3	40.1	36.8	32.7	31.0	13.4	11.5	10.6	11.3	10.2	7.3
100–149 percent	67.3	66.7	68.0	67.4	58.8	53.2	27.8	22.4	25.2	25.3	22.3	17.2
150–199 percent	78.6	81.1	81.3	77.4	75.0	69.0	41.4	39.8	37.3	39.9	37.3	32.9
200 percent or more	85.7	86.2	88.9	86.6	84.0	81.4	52.8	51.5	54.0	51.7	49.9	49.4
Geographic region ⁶												
Northeast	76.8	76.7	78.3	76.0	72.9	73.0	43.9	44.2	45.2	45.3	42.5	43.8
Midwest	79.6	82.3	84.6	82.5	80.8	78.5	40.6	41.4	43.6	46.0	42.3	41.9
South	68.0	73.5	71.2	71.6	67.2	66.3	35.3	33.5	36.8	35.1	34.7	34.2
West	70.8	75.1	78.2	69.3	69.0	59.5	38.2	38.5	40.1	34.9	36.2	34.4
Location of residence ⁶												
Within MSA ⁹	74.5	77.2	78.0	75.1	72.2	68.4	42.3	41.6	42.6	42.0	40.5	39.8
Outside MSA ⁹	71.8	75.1	76.0	74.4	71.3	73.6	33.7	31.3	36.5	33.5	32.2	33.0

See footnotes at end of table.

Table 130 (page 2 of 2). Health care coverage for persons 65 years of age and over, according to type of coverage and selected characteristics: United States, selected years 1984–97

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Characteristic	Medicaid ^{1,10}						Medicare only ¹¹					
	1984	1989	1994 ³	1995	1996	1997 ^{3,4}	1984	1989	1994 ³	1995	1996	1997 ^{3,4}
Number in millions												
Total ⁵	1.8	2.0	2.5	2.9	2.7	2.5	4.7	4.5	4.1	4.6	5.7	6.7
Percent of population												
Total, age adjusted ⁵	6.9	7.0	7.8	9.0	8.3	7.8	17.7	15.3	13.1	14.7	18.1	20.7
Total, crude ⁵	7.0	7.0	7.9	9.2	8.5	7.9	17.9	15.4	13.2	14.8	18.1	20.8
Age												
65–74 years	6.0	6.3	6.8	8.3	7.5	7.5	15.2	13.8	12.3	14.4	18.0	20.3
75 years and over	8.5	8.2	9.6	10.4	9.9	8.4	22.3	17.8	14.5	15.2	18.2	21.5
75–84 years	7.7	7.9	8.4	9.5	9.0	7.9	20.6	16.2	13.3	14.1	16.8	20.5
85 years and over	11.7	9.7	14.2	13.7	13.0	10.2	29.8	24.9	19.1	19.3	23.4	25.2
Sex ⁶												
Male	4.5	5.0	4.7	5.6	5.5	5.2	17.4	14.6	12.9	14.4	17.1	19.6
Female	8.6	8.4	10.0	11.5	10.4	9.7	18.1	15.6	13.3	14.9	18.7	21.5
Race ^{6,7}												
White	5.0	5.4	6.0	6.9	6.6	6.4	16.5	13.4	11.6	13.4	16.9	19.2
Black	24.9	20.4	21.7	26.8	21.8	19.3	30.7	34.5	28.7	28.6	30.1	33.9
Hispanic origin and race ^{6,7}												
All Hispanic	24.9	25.6	26.5	31.1	28.9	27.6	28.5	21.6	18.7	24.5	29.0	34.9
White, non-Hispanic	4.4	4.7	5.1	5.6	5.4	5.4	16.1	13.1	11.3	12.8	16.3	18.3
Black, non-Hispanic	25.2	20.4	21.2	27.0	21.7	19.0	30.8	34.5	28.8	28.7	29.3	34.0
Percent of poverty level ^{6,8}												
Below 100 percent	28.0	29.0	37.4	40.6	39.9	41.0	27.5	26.0	23.0	22.1	25.6	26.9
100–149 percent	6.9	9.2	10.8	13.3	12.5	14.6	22.5	21.1	19.0	18.3	26.6	28.6
150–199 percent	3.3	4.7	3.8	5.2	4.6	5.1	16.2	13.5	12.8	16.2	19.6	23.1
200 percent or more	1.8	2.3	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.5	11.0	10.4	7.8	9.9	12.4	15.0
Geographic region ⁶												
Northeast	5.3	5.4	7.3	8.9	7.3	6.4	17.1	16.8	14.0	15.4	20.3	19.5
Midwest	4.2	3.6	3.7	5.6	5.1	5.0	15.2	13.4	10.7	10.9	12.8	15.2
South	9.5	9.1	10.3	10.8	9.9	9.7	19.8	16.3	16.0	15.8	19.7	21.3
West	7.9	9.3	9.4	10.8	10.8	9.9	18.4	13.8	10.3	17.3	18.6	28.5
Location of residence ⁶												
Within MSA ⁹	6.2	6.4	7.3	8.4	7.7	7.4	17.6	15.3	12.9	14.9	18.7	22.2
Outside MSA ⁹	8.1	8.4	9.2	11.1	10.4	9.2	17.9	15.2	13.9	14.1	15.9	15.6

¹Almost all persons 65 years of age and over are covered by Medicare also. In 1997, 92 percent of older persons with private insurance also had Medicare.

²Private insurance originally obtained through a present or former employer or union.

³The questionnaire changed compared with previous years. See Appendix II, Health insurance coverage.

⁴Preliminary data.

⁵Includes all other races not shown separately and unknown poverty level.

⁶Age adjusted. See Appendix II for age-adjustment procedure.

⁷The race groups white and black include persons of Hispanic and non-Hispanic origin; persons of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

⁸Poverty level is based on family income and family size using Bureau of the Census poverty thresholds. See Appendix II.

⁹Metropolitan statistical area.

¹⁰Includes public assistance through 1996. In 1997 includes state-sponsored health plans. In 1997 the age-adjusted percent of the population 65 years of age and over covered by Medicaid was 7.4 percent, and 0.4 percent were covered by state-sponsored health plans.

¹¹Persons covered by Medicare but not covered by private health insurance, Medicaid, public assistance (through 1996), state-sponsored or other government-sponsored health plans (1997), or military plans. See Appendix II, Health insurance coverage.

NOTE: Percents do not add to 100 because persons with both private health insurance and Medicaid appear in more than one column, and because the percent of persons without health insurance (1.1 percent in 1997) is not shown.

SOURCE: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics. Data computed by the Division of Health and Utilization Analysis from the National Health Interview Survey.